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One day after his 73th birthday, Raymond F. Laurie, of Miami, passed away peacefully with his family by his side on Friday, September 29, 2017. Born on September 28, 1944, in Chicago, Illinois, he was the much-loved husband of Maribeth Kojkowski-Laurie who survives him. He was the proud step-father of Nicole Kojkowski Coman and her husband Drew and their children, Carson John and Olivia Jean, of Boston, MA, and Nicholas A. Kojkowski and his wife Mallory of Miami, FL. Preceded in death by his parents, Marie Johana (nee Bottiglieri) and Frank James Laurie II, he is also survived by his brother, Frank James Laurie III.

Ray served in the United States Army from 1968-1970. He then served in the Reserves, retiring in 2005 as a Chief Warrant Officer CW4. During his military career, Ray received many decorations, including the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Armed Service Ribbon, the Army Lapel Button, and the Expert Badge. After serving honorably in the Army and graduating from Loyola University and Georgia State University with a Masters Degree in Psychology, Ray began a career in public service as a probation officer in Fulton County, Georgia. He then became a probation officer for the state of Florida, retiring in 2013. In addition to his illustrious career in civil service, Ray was also a licensed private investigator and weapons instructor.

Ray will be remembered by his friends and family as a man who was kind to everyone and always willing to help.

The family respectfully asks that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, Sylvester Development Office, P.O. (M-867), Miami, FL 33101. Please include 'Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund' on the memo line if the contribution is made by check.

To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children; To earn the appreciation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; To appreciate beauty, to find the best in others; To leave the world a bit better,



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whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center in memory of Raymond F. Laurie

Checks should be made payable to Sylvester and mailed to Sylvester Development Office, P.O. Box 016960 (M-867), Miami, FL 33101.

Please inform donors to incorporate fund description in memo line on checks (Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund)

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Events

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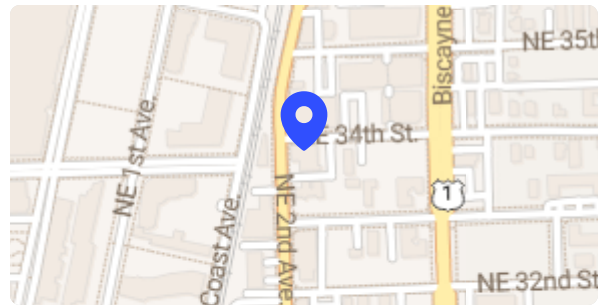
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Cemetery Details



Van Orsdel Crematory

3333 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami FL 33137





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EN

Ed Nelson posted:

My sincere condolences!!! I am going to Miss him at the Hurricanes game. We talk the entire game. May god bless his family. I will be praying for you all.

March 23 at 8:24 AM

AG

Alex G posted:

Ray was my probation officer for a few years, about ten years back. He was hands down one of the nicest people I have ever met in my life. He always greeted me with a hug, and the warmest of smiles. Needless to say, that warmth and kindness is not something you'd expect from someone in his line of work, not when you're a convict under his supervision, anyways. He always told me how much he believed in me, and how sure he was I'd make something of myself. For whatever reason I've had him on my mind lately, something told me to google him, and I was truly heart broken to find this. Rest in peace, Ray.

September 18 at 3:51 PM

PN

Patricia Nelson lit a candle in honor of RAYMOND.



December 17 at 4:38 PM

EF

Edna Frazier posted:

Ray and I were members of the 3220th Garrison, Just heard of his passing. I would have certainly been there to honor my friend. He was the leader of the CHIEFS- we affectionately held a meeting for 10 minutes before during the day of drill o Drill Weekend. Saw him at the 3220th Picnic in April and we had our meeting.Chief Frazier

October 23 at 3:19 PM

HR

Hector F Ramirez October 24 at 11:05 AM

I would been there as well . May He Rest In Peace.



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Maribeth shared a photo to the **Raymond F. Laurie** album.



October 13 at 2:52 PM



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